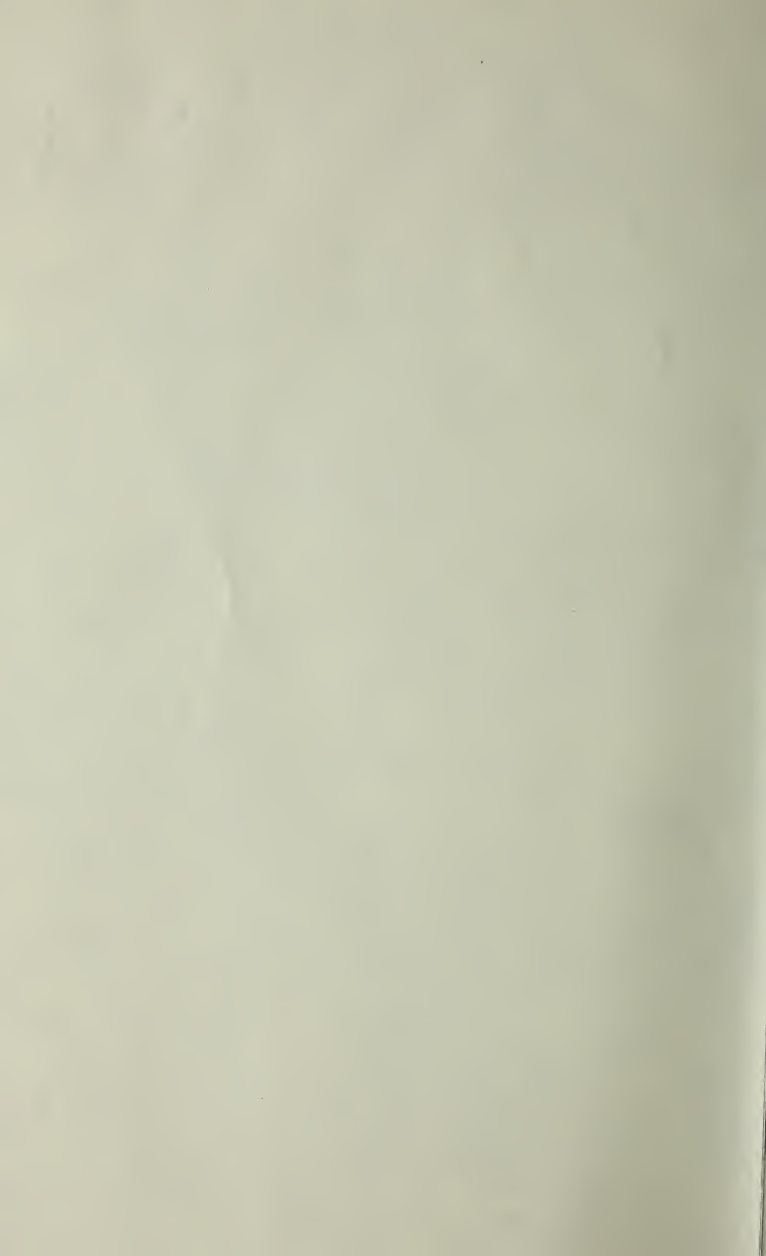




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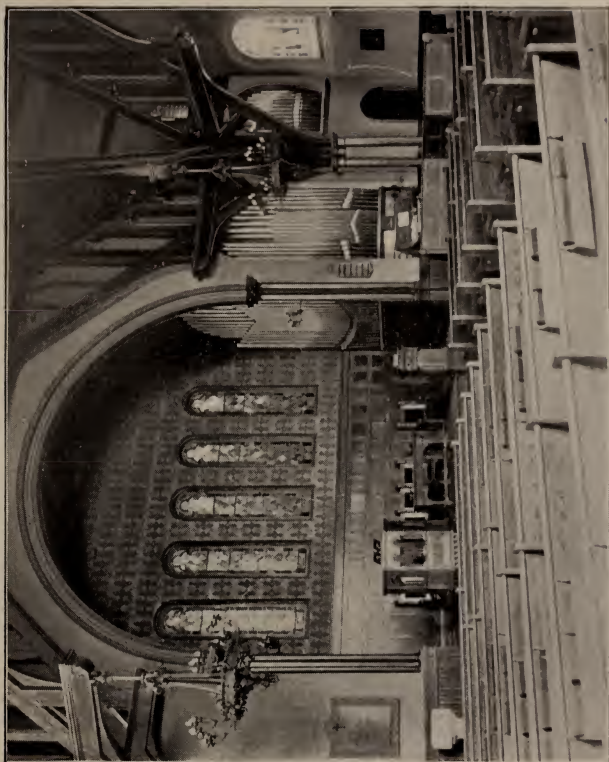
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ORDER OF SERVICES

MORNING

The Call to Worship (All rising)

*(One of the first five Chants in Hymns of the Faith, in their order,
according to the Sunday of the month)*

The Prayer of Invocation: followed by

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

A Hymn of Praise

Brief Scripture of Praise

A Selection from the Psalms (read responsively)

A Psalm Chant, or Ascription

The Offerings of the People

*Blessed be Thou, O Lord God, for ever and ever ;
For all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine :
Both riches and honor come of Thee ;
And of Thine own have we given Thee.*

(Sung when the offerings are presented)

The General Prayer of the people : AMEN (by all)

A Hymn of Faith and Consecration

The Scripture Lesson

A Hymn (sung without announcement)

(The last number on the TABLET indicates the proper hymn)

The Sermon

Prayer and Benediction

AMEN (by the Choir and Congregation)

EVENING

The Call to Worship (All rising)

(A sentence by the Minister)

The Doxology

Prayer

A Hymn

Brief Scripture of Praise

A Psalm Chant, or Ascription

Prayer

A Hymn

The Scripture Lesson

A Hymn

The Sermon

An Evening Hymn

Prayer and Benediction : AMEN (by all)

COMMUNION

The Call to Worship (A sentence by the Minister)

The Doxology

Prayer : followed by The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

A Hymn

The Scripture Lesson

The Commandments, or Law of Christ (with responses.)

Communion Offering (Offertory sentence)

Sermon (This may be omitted)

Recognition of New Members

A Communion Hymn

The Communion

Closing Hymn

Benediction : AMEN (by all)

TRINITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

EAST ORANGE

NEW JERSEY

The Corporate title of this Religious Society is

TRINITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH,

which title must be used in all cases of gifts or bequests.

The Ecclesiastical body is known as

TRINITY CHURCH.

OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH

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DEACONS

ROBERT D. WEEKES (*Clerk and Treasurer*)

HENRY BALDWIN

THOMAS S. CRANE

THEODORE F. SEWARD

THEODORE H. SMITH

OGDEN H. BOWERS

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TRUSTEES

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EDWARD P. HAMILTON (*Secretary*)

GEORGE A. VAIL (*Treasurer*)

EDWIN W. EATON

JOHN S. HAWLEY

JOHN O. HEALD

WILLIAM H. WILEY

CLERK

CHARLES A. MEAD

ORGANIZATIONS

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

TRINITY CHURCH GUILD

DEPARTMENTS:

1. HOME MISSIONS
 2. FOREIGN MISSIONS
 3. HELPING HAND
 4. INDUSTRIAL WORK
 5. HOSPITALITY
 6. PASTOR'S AID
 7. KING'S DAUGHTERS
 8. PILGRIM BAND
-

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION

TRINITY CHURCH

NAME

This company of disciples of Jesus Christ, a branch of the one Universal Church of the Living God, is known as TRINITY CHURCH.

GOVERNMENT

The government of this Church is vested in the body of believers who compose it.

It recognizes and sustains the relations of mutual counsel which are common among such Churches, and is in fellowship with all Churches of Christ.

OBJECT

This Church has for its object,—the public worship of God and observance of the Christian ordinances,—the Christian edification of its members and of all who meet with it,—the Christian training of the young,—the frequent interchange of religious sympathies and affec-

tions,—the extension of Christ's kingdom in the community and in the earth,—the alleviation, by every wise means, of poverty, ignorance and misery, and the suppression of vice and crime.

To carry out these designs, its members pledge their time, their talents, and their means.

CONFESSION AND COVENANT

[This Confession and Covenant may be repeated by the Church at the Communion service, or on other appropriate occasions of worship.]

One is our Master—even Christ, and all we are brethren.

We, the members of this Church, holding devoutly to the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the rule and ultimate standard of Christian faith, join with one another, and with the Church of God throughout the world, in confessing

Jesus the Christ, the Son of the Living God :

and we covenant, as a Church of Jesus Christ, to walk together in unity, love, and well-doing.

AMEN.

We accept the ancient Symbol of the Church known as the Apostles' Creed, as comprising the essential truths of the Gospel ; and present it here, not as a test for membership, but for a testimony to our fellowship with the Universal Church of Christ.

The Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth ;*

*And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord ;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried :
He descended into hell ;
The third day He rose again from the dead ;
He ascended into Heaven,
And sitteth at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty ;*

*From thence He shall come to judge the quick and
the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Ghost ;
The Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of
Saints ;
The forgiveness of sins ;
The Resurrection of the body ;
And the Life everlasting.*

AMEN.

ORDINANCES

1. BAPTISM is administered to adult believers at the time of their public Confession of Christ and Avowal of Covenant (unless they have been previously baptized), and to young children whose parents or guardians bring them in faith.*

These baptized children are esteemed as lambs of the flock, to be nurtured in the truth of the Gospel; and a form of service is provided for their full recognition in the membership of the Church at such time as they shall be approved by the Church Committee.†

2. THE LORD'S SUPPER is statedly observed, not as an ecclesiastical, but as a Christian ordinance, to whose privileges and blessings all disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ are entitled and welcomed.

MEMBERSHIP

1. RECOGNITION. Persons desiring to become members of Trinity Church, either on Confession of Christ or on letters of transfer from other Churches, make application through the Church Committee. If approved by the Committee, their names are presented to the Church for its vote. The persons accepted are recognized as members in fellowship, upon Confession of Christ and Avowal of Covenant, in such form as accords with the usage or meets the approval of the Church.‡

* For Baptismal Service, see pp. 20, 21.

† For Recognition Service, see pp. 16, 17.

‡ For Recognition Services, see pp. 13-19.

The Pastor of the Church is expected to be one of its members. He is recognized as such through its vote appointing him to his ministry, by depositing with the Church Committee his credentials of Church membership, by public Avowal of the Covenant of the Church, and acceptance of the Confession and Creed.

2. **TERMINATION.** Membership terminates by decrease, by the issue of letters of transfer or commendation, by voluntary withdrawal with consent of the Church, by withdrawal of Christian fellowship by the Church, and also by permanent removal of residence or long-continued absence from the stated fellowship.

(a.) *Letters of Transfer or Commendation.* Letters of transfer to other Churches will be granted when requested within a reasonable time after removal from the stated fellowship : in special cases a general letter of commendation to the fellowship of the Churches of Christ may be given.*

(b.) *Voluntary Withdrawal.* A member of the Church in good standing, may, upon his own written request, and on recommendation of the Church Committee, have his membership terminated by special vote at any stated meeting of the Church ; in which case he shall be furnished with an attested statement of the facts.†

(c.) *Withdrawal of Fellowship.* If a member cause grievance by offending against the law of Christ, and if, after due admonition, he will not hear the Church unto proper acknowledgment and reformation, it is a violation of Covenant, and the Church may, on recommendation

* For Forms of Letters, see p. 24.

† For Form, see p. 24.

of the Church Committee, withdraw its fellowship ; in all cases informing the person concerned of its action, with the reasons therefor.

(d.) *Permanent Removal or Long-continued Absence.* The names of persons absent from the stated fellowship for more than three years, without satisfactory explanation, may, upon recommendation of the Church Committee, be removed from the roll by vote of the Church in Annual Meeting, on the ground that such persons have terminated their membership by their own voluntary act.

OFFICERS

The Officers of this Church are,—a Pastor, and four or more Deacons, who together constitute the Church Committee.

The Church Committee assign among their own number the several services of Clerk, Treasurer, and Auditor.

Other officers or committees may be appointed by the Church from time to time, as occasion may require.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

1. THE PASTOR has control of the pulpit and of the exercises of public worship, preaches the Word, administers the ordinances, and leads in the spiritual oversight of the flock. He is ordinarily the Moderator of the business meetings of the Church and of the Committee.

2. THE DEACONS aid the Pastor in the celebration of the Lord's Supper, and are his appointed advisers and helpers in the spiritual care of the flock. In the absence of a Pastor, or when it is deemed improper for him to act,

the senior Deacon present is the Moderator of meetings of the Church and of the Committee, unless otherwise ordered at the time.

3. THE CHURCH COMMITTEE have general charge of the work and interests of the Church,—executing its rules and orders, caring for its poor, receiving and distributing its offerings, recommending at each Annual Meeting a schedule of benevolent offerings for the ensuing year, providing for the Christian instruction of its children and youth, corresponding with absent members* (reporting to the Annual Meeting), and arranging for the public services and providing supplies for the pulpit when necessary.

They also have general oversight of the Music of the Sanctuary,—the Church Committee and the Trustees forming, *ex-officio*, a Joint Committee to select the salaried persons, if any, who lead in this part of the public worship.

4. THE CLERK keeps a record of the business meetings of the Church and of the Committee, with notes of important events in the history of the Church. He has charge of all records, official reports, and other important documents. He keeps a register of the membership, with the date and method of recognition and removal; also a record of baptisms. He issues letters of transfer or dismissal when granted by the Church; he conducts correspondence; and reports to the Annual Meeting in regard to the membership and the baptisms.

5. THE TREASURER has charge of the benevolent

*For Forms of Letters, see pp. 22, 23.

and Communion Offerings, and reports in full to the Annual Meeting.

6. THE AUDITOR examines the accounts of the Treasurer, compares charges and vouchers, and states the balance, reporting to the Annual Meeting.

7. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT is appointed by the Church Committee, immediately after the Annual Meeting, for one year, or at any other time to fill a vacancy. He has control of the School, arranging its classes, appointing its teachers and other officers, and furnishing its library,—with the advice and approval of the Pastor. He reports in writing to the Annual Meeting, on the work, condition, and needs of the School.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

1. THE PASTOR is chosen by ballot,—after nomination of not less than one week previous, and public notice on the Lord's Day,—by not less than a three-fourths vote in a meeting whose quorum is one-third of the resident membership.

In the settlement or dismissal of its Pastor, the Church ordinarily seeks the advice of an ecclesiastical Council, in recognition of its fellowship with other Churches.

2. THE DEACONS are chosen in Annual Meeting, by ballot without nomination, by majority vote, and ordinarily for three years,—the terms being so arranged that one or more shall expire each year. A vacancy may be filled for the remainder of the year at any business meeting, after public notice on the Lord's Day.

PUBLIC SERVICES

1. On the Lord's Day there are ordinarily two services of public worship, with preaching or exposition of the Scriptures.

2. The Communion of the Lord's Supper is statedly observed on the Lord's Day first in *January, March, May, July, September, and November*. It may be deferred by the Committee to a later day in the month; or any single observance may be omitted at their discretion. The Committee may also appoint additional seasons for the ordinance.

3. There is ordinarily a mid-week meeting for social worship and conference; and additional meetings may be appointed by the Pastor or by the Committee. The first meeting of each month is ordinarily in the interest of Christian Missions; and the meeting prior to the Lord's Supper is a Preparatory service.

4. New members are recognized at the Communion service, and at other times as may be convenient.

5. Children may be presented for Baptism on any Lord's Day, by arrangement with the Pastor. Before the ministration there should be given to the Pastor the full name of the child, with date and place of birth, and the full names of parents or guardians. To each child baptized the Church presents a copy of the Holy Scriptures, suitably inscribed.

6. The Sunday School services are held at such times as the Church may appoint.

OFFERINGS

1. Offerings are made at each stated observance of the Lord's Supper, for the poor of the Church, and for the purposes of Christian fellowship, worship, and work. These offerings are used at the discretion of the Church Committee.

2. Offerings are made ordinarily on the Lord's Day second in the month, for such objects of Christian benevolence as the Church may appoint.

3. Special offerings may be appointed by the Pastor or by the Committee.

4. Offerings in the Sunday School are gathered and appropriated under its special orders.

BUSINESS PROCEDURE

1. The Annual Meeting of the Church, for hearing reports, the election of Deacons, and other business, is held on the *Tuesday evening after the Lord's Day second in January*. Notice of this meeting—whose quorum is twenty-five members—is given from the pulpit on the Lord's Day preceding. The procedure, unless otherwise ordered at the time, is as follows :

- (1.) Opening Hymn.
- (2.) Prayer by the Moderator.
- (3.) Annual Report of the Auditor.
- (4.) " " Treasurer.
- (5.) " " Clerk.

- (6.) Annual Report of the Sunday School Superintendent.
- (7.) " " Church Committee, on absent members, and action in regard to such if required.
- (8.) Election of Deacons.
- (9.) Reports of Organizations for Christian work.
- (10.) Annual Report of the Pastor (or in lack of a Pastor by the Church Committee), on the work and condition of the Church.
- (11.) Miscellaneous Business.
- (12.) Reading the Minutes of the Meeting.
- (13.) Adjournment, with singing and benediction.

2. Special business meetings are called by the Pastor or by the Committee, or by the Clerk on the written request of seven members,—public notice being given on the Lord's Day.

3. Business not requiring previous notice may be transacted at any of the stated meetings of the Church for public worship.

4. A business quorum, except as herein otherwise provided, is eleven members.

5. If a Delegate appointed to represent the Church in a Council or other assembly, be unable to serve, the Pastor or the Committee may provide a substitute. In case of failure of appointment by the Church, from oversight, the Pastor or the Committee may appoint. On report to the Church, the expenses of Delegates are paid from the Church funds.

AMENDMENTS

The foregoing Declarations, Confession, Covenant, and Rules, can be altered or amended only by a three-fourths vote in a business meeting having a quorum of one-fourth of the resident membership, after public notice in the congregation on the two successive Lord's Days preceding.

RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBERS

(Subject to modification as occasion may require ; but no radical change to be made without the approval of the Church.)

Persons to be recognized in the fellowship of the Church take their seats together near the Communion Table before the opening of the service. Those who have not been baptized are first addressed ; then those who were baptized in childhood ; then those who come from other Churches. The closing part of the service is the same for all. Each one rises as his name is called, and stands until the close of the recognition service.

CONFESSION OF CHRIST AND BAPTISM

The Minister addresses the Church :

BELOVED IN THE LORD : It is our privilege at this time to recognize new members in our fellowship on Confession of Christ.

Here the names are called, each one rising in response ; and the Minister addresses those before him as follows :

What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me ? I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows unto the Lord ; yea, in the presence of all his people.

Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father who is in heaven.

For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

BELOVED: We greet you with blessing. Believing in your heart on the Lord Jesus Christ, you come now to confess him before men, to be baptized into his name, and to enter the fellowship of this Church.

With us and with the Church in all ages and throughout the world, you confess

Jesus the Christ, the Son of the Living God:

Response, I DO.

You own yourself a child of your Heavenly Father, and yield your heart to him in loving obedience?

Response, I DO.

You truly repent of your sins, and heartily receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior and Friend forever?

Response, I DO.

You accept the Word of Christ as your law, and the Holy Spirit as your Helper and Guide?

Response, I DO.

You covenant to walk with us here in the truth and peace of the Gospel, in a common worship,

caring for one another, and working together for the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom in the earth?

Response, I DO.

The Minister takes his place by the Font. Those who have been addressed come near while Baptism is administered.

BAPTISMAL SERVICE

What is thy name?

The Baptismal name is given in full.

I baptize thee,.....into the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Response by the Church, AMEN.

Then the Minister offers this prayer, or such other as he prefers :

Thou God of all grace, receive now this thy child, to continue thine forever, daily to increase in the grace of Christ, and to come at last unto thine eternal kingdom.

Response by the Church, AMEN.

At the conclusion of the Baptismal service, those who have been baptized resume their places, standing while the service continues. If no others are to be received, the WELCOME BY THE CHURCH follows immediately.

FULL RECOGNITION OF THOSE BAPTIZED IN CHILDHOOD

The Baptized children of the Church having reached a suitable age, and having been approved by the Church Committee, are encouraged and expected to present themselves for full recognition in the Church fellowship. Adult persons baptized in childhood are received in the same manner. The Minister addresses the Church :

BELOVED IN THE LORD: It is our privilege at this time to receive into full recognition in our fellowship some who have already been baptized into the faith and confession of Christ.

Here the names are called ; each one rises in response, and remains standing until the close of the recognition service. The Minister says :

BELOVED: We greet you with glad hearts. Membership in the Church of Christ is your birth-right, and the seal of it you already bear. May the manifold blessings hitherto received abound unto you more and more. Having shown in your lives your grateful acceptance of these blessings, you are present here to be publicly admitted and welcomed to all the privileges of the visible Church, and to enter into personal covenant with this body of believers.

The Minister addresses each one as follows :

You own yourself a child of your Heavenly Father, and yield your heart to him in loving obedience ?

Response, **I DO.**

You here and now confirm the act and faith of your former Baptism?

Response, I DO.

You confess yourself a disciple of Jesus Christ, and in taking the emblems of his broken body and shed blood here at his table, you take him as your Savior and Friend forever?

Response, I DO.

You open your heart for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, to help you to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ?

Response, I DO.

You acknowledge yourself a member of this Church, and promise, as God shall help you, to walk with us in the truth and peace of the Gospel?

Response, I DO.

Then the Minister offers this prayer, or such other as he prefers:

O God our Father, the strength of all who put their trust in thee, let thy benediction be upon these thy children in their Christian vows; may thy fatherly hand ever be over them; thy Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of thy Word, that they may come at last unto thine eternal kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Response by the Church, AMEN.

If none are to be received from other Churches, the WELCOME BY THE CHURCH immediately follows this prayer.

RECOGNITION OF THOSE FROM OTHER CHURCHES

The Minister, addressing the Church, says :

BELOVED IN THE LORD : It is our privilege at this time to recognize new members in our fellowship on transfer from other Churches.

Here the name of each person, and that of the Church from which he comes, is read, each one rising as his name is called. The Minister says :

BELOVED : Having elsewhere confessed the Lord Jesus Christ, and entered the Christian fellowship, you here and now re-affirm among us your faith, and declare your purpose to abide with us in unity, love, and well-doing?

Response, I DO.

WELCOME BY THE CHURCH

The Minister here addresses all who are before him, in the name of the Church. The Church rise in salutation and welcome, joining in the Responses :

BEHOLD, therefore, this Church stands by your side in fellowship henceforth ; we promise to walk with you as you have promised to walk with us.

Response :

WE WELCOME YOU TO THIS COMPANY OF DISCIPLES—GOD'S HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH AND LOVE.

These gates of Zion we open unto you with joy :

Response :

YEA, THE LORD HIMSELF DOTHT OPEN THEM.

Here all unite in the Hymn of Fellowship :

*Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love ;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.*

*Before our Father's throne
We pour our ardent prayers ;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,—
Our comforts and our cares.*

AMEN.

ASCRPTION

Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,—unto Him be the glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus unto all generations forever and ever.

Response by all, AMEN.

THE BAPTISM OF LITTLE CHILDREN

(Subject to modification in the discretion of the Minister, but no radical change to be made without the approval of the Church.)

The service opens with the announcement of the Baptismal Chant or Hymn. The Congregation rise; and during the singing the Parents present themselves with the child before the Font. The Minister addresses the Parents :

BELOVED : You have brought this your child here to be baptized into the Christian faith.

With us, and with the Church in every age, you confess

Jesus the Christ, the Son of the Living God :

Response, I DO.

You covenant, as God shall help you, to bring up your child in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; to labor and pray in faith that he may, in due time, confirm this your act, and take upon himself the vows of God, and be evermore led to walk in the way of his commandments, whose end is eternal life?

Response, I DO.

Name this child in God's covenant.

Here the baptismal name is given.

I baptize thee,.....into the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Response by all, AMEN.

Then the Minister offers this prayer, or such other as he prefers :

Our Father in Heaven, whose love is infinite and whose promises never fail, of thy fatherly love accompany this baptism of water by the baptism of thy Holy Spirit. Let thy mercy and compassion descend upon these parents, that they may have grace to keep their vows, and to train their offspring in the way of Christ. We beseech thee to preserve and bless this child ; dwell by thy Spirit in his heart, and nourish him in all holy desires and purposes, that he may grow up a true and faithful child of God. Let thy blessing, we beseech thee, be upon us and upon our children : be thou our Shepherd, and bring thy flock to the fold of thine everlasting peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Response by all, AMEN.

BEHOLD, therefore, the Church—the larger household—now bears witness, that it has place for little ones. We joyfully receive this child as embraced in the hope and care of Christ's Church—numbered with the lambs in the fold of the Good Shepherd.

Here the Minister, on behalf of the Church, presents to the parents for each child a copy of the Holy Scriptures :

Receive now from this Church for your child the Holy Scriptures, inscribed with the record of this day's act of faith.

The Congregation here unites without announcement in the concluding part of the Baptismal Chant or Hymn ; and during the singing the Parents retire.

LETTERS

LETTER TO ABSENT MEMBERS

Dear.....

The Pastor and Deacons of Trinity Church would kindly remind you, that it has been made a part of their official duty to communicate with absent members, and to report upon such at the Annual Meeting of the Church in January.

Our rules concerning absentees have been framed with an earnest desire to respect the circumstances and rights of all, while maintaining a proper order in the Church.

While we regret to lose any members from our fellowship, and are glad to retain upon the roll the names of those who for special reasons prefer to remain with us, yet we are persuaded that, whenever practicable, Christian disciples should be identified with some Church in the community where they reside, and that no Church should have on its roll many names of persons who are no longer connected with its life and work.

Letters of transfer to other Churches are granted when requested within a reasonable time after removal from the stated fellowship; or, in special cases, a general letter of commendation to Christian fellowship is given.

Also, if a member make request in writing that his name be removed from the roll, the request may be granted, should the circumstances seem to justify it.

The names of members absent from the stated fellowship for more than three years, without satisfactory explanation, may, upon recommendation of the Church Committee, be removed from the roll by vote of the Church in Annual Meeting, on the ground that such persons have terminated their membership by their own voluntary act.

In view of these rules of the Church, we send you herewith four blanks, one of which, duly filled out and signed, please return to us before the first of January next, in the inclosed envelope. With Christian greeting, etc.

REPLIES TO THE FOREGOING

[Reply No. 1.]

TO THE COMMITTEE OF TRINITY CHURCH, EAST ORANGE, N. J.:

Dear Friends:

Your letter of.....is received. I recognize the propriety of the rules of Trinity Church respecting its absent members, and the force of the reasons for transfer of Church relationship. For the present, however, I prefer to remain a member of Trinity Church, and for the following reasons:

.....

Yours sincerely,

.....

[Reply No. 2.]

TO THE COMMITTEE, ETC.:

Your letter of.....is received. I have decided to transfer my membership to the.....Church, of and hereby request Trinity Church to grant me a letter of dismissal and recommendation.

[Reply No. 3.]

TO THE COMMITTEE, ETC.:

Your letter of.....is received. I recognize the propriety of the rules of Trinity Church respecting its absent members, and the force of the reasons for transfer of Church relationship. It is not practicable, however, in the present circumstances, to connect myself with a particular Church; and I therefore request a release from my connection with Trinity Church, and a general letter of commendation to Christian fellowship.

[Reply No. 4.]

TO THE COMMITTEE, ETC.:

Your letter of.....is received. I recognize the propriety of the rules of Trinity Church respecting its absent members. I cannot, however, ask for a letter to any other Church. I therefore request that my connection with Trinity Church be dissolved, and my name removed from the list of members.

LETTER OF TRANSFER

Trinity Church, East Orange, N. J.

To.

{ In the Communion of the }
 { Churches of Christ. }

We hereby affectionately commend to you.....
 ... a member in good standing in this Church,
 whose request for dismissal, with a view to transfer to membership
 with you, was granted by the Church on the.....day of
in the year of our Lord, 18....

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Attest,Clerk.

LETTER OF COMMENDATION

{ In the Communion of the }
 { Churches of Christ. }

This Certifies, that.....a member
 in good standing in Trinity Church, East Orange, New Jersey,
 having permanently removed from its stated fellowship, is
 hereby, in accordance with.....own request, released from
connection with us, and affectionately commended to
 the fellowship of the Churches of Christ.

By vote of the Church,

Attest,Clerk.

CERTIFICATE OF WITHDRAWAL

To whom it may concern :

This Certifies, that.....a member
 in good standing in Trinity Church, East Orange, New Jersey,
 having requested that.....membership in said Church be
 terminated, without transfer to another Church, such request
 has been granted by vote of the Church.

Attest,Clerk

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

(ADOPTED MARCH 17, 1870.)

I. The undersigned associate to establish a Church in this vicinity for the maintenance of public worship according to the faith and order of orthodox Congregational Churches in the United States.

II. All spiritual concerns, including the nomination of Pastor, will be under the exclusive control of the Church.

III. All temporal affairs shall be controlled by the regular attendants upon the services, who are stated contributors to the expenses, and qualified by the by-laws to vote.

IV. In the election of Pastor, all members of the Church qualified by its rules to vote, and also all regular attendants and contributors as aforesaid, shall have a voice.

V. The foregoing provisions may be carried into effect by appropriate rules and by-laws.

East Orange, New Jersey, March 17, A. D. 1870.

[Signed,]

GEORGE E. ADAMS

THERON BALDWIN

F. A. ADAMS

ISRAEL H. GERRY

WM. PIERSON, JR.

RICHD. A. THORP

J. L. HALSEY

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N. E. MEANS

M. A. BREWER

ANNE PIERSON

HARRIET E. HALSEY

ELIZABETH S. HALSEY

S. R. HALSEY

EMILY A. HARVEY

ISABEL F. PIERSON

M. J. ADAMS

JOSEPHINE D. THORP

ANNA F. EASTMAN

CHAS. F. WHITING

FREDERIC ADAMS

FANNY F. FESSENDEN

OTIS CHICKERING

JOHN T. CLARKE

WM. H. WILEY

CORNELIA W. BOWERS

G. W. BOWERS

H. A. HARVEY

EDWD. PAYSON

SAML. M. OSGOOD

EDW. E. QUIMBY

J. O. HALSEY

PHEBE J. HALSEY

C. W. BALDWIN

H. Z. OSGOOD

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

(MARCH 22, 1870.)

WHEREAS, the Religious Society and Congregation usually meeting for public worship at Lyric Hall in the Township of East Orange, in the County of Essex and State of New Jersey, did assemble at their said usual place of meeting on Tuesday the twenty-second day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy, ten days' previous notice of the time and purpose of such assembling having been given by an advertisement set up in open view near such place of meeting, and when so assembled did by a plurality of voices of such of the said Society and Congregation as were present, elect seven of the said Society and Congregation to be Trustees of the same; now, therefore, we, the said Trustees selected as aforesaid, do hereby certify that we have taken upon ourselves the name of "THE TRUSTEES OF THE TRINITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH."

In witness whereof, we have hereto set our hands and seals the twenty-second day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy.

H. A. HARVEY	(L. S.)
GEO. H. BREWER	(L. S.)
WM. PIERSON, JR.	(L. S.)
J. L. HALSEY	(L. S.)
EDW. E. QUIMBY	(L. S.)
RICHD. A. THORP	(L. S.)
FREDERIC ADAMS	(L. S.)

[NOTE.—"The" before "Trinity" was omitted from the Seal adopted October 22, 1870.]

BY-LAWS OF THE CONGREGATION

(Adopted May 16, 1893.)

1. The corporate name of this Religious Society or Congregation is, "TRINITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH," of East Orange, New Jersey.

2. Its object is, to co-operate with the ecclesiastical organization known as TRINITY CHURCH, in providing for and maintaining the worship of God, and Christian work in the community, in accordance with the faith and order thereof.

3. The Board of Trustees shall consist of seven members, arranged in three classes of two, two, and three members respectively, to be chosen in successive years, and to hold office for three years,—as provided by law: the election to be by ballot or otherwise, as ordered at the time.

4. The Board of Trustees shall appoint one of their own number as Treasurer, who shall hold office at their pleasure. He shall deposit all moneys received by him as such, in a Bank which may be designated by the Board, to the credit of "Trinity Congregational Church,.....Treasurer."

5. The Annual Meeting of the Congregation, for the election of Trustees and Clerk, for the reception of reports, and for the transaction of other business, shall be held at the call of the Trustees, on the *second Tuesday in March* in each year; the call being signed by their Secretary, as provided by law. The Clerk shall be chosen annually. The fiscal year shall begin on the first day of March.

The order of business at the Annual Meeting shall be as follows, unless otherwise ordered at the time:

- (1.) Election of Moderator.
- (2.) Prayer.
- (3.) Reading of Minutes of last Annual Meeting, and of other meetings if called for.
- (4.) Election of Clerk.
- (5.) Report of Treasurer.

- (6.) Report of Trustees, and action on the same if required.
- (7.) Election of Trustees.
- (8.) Unfinished Business.
- (9.) Reports of Committees.
- (10.) Miscellaneous Business.
- (11.) Adjournment.

6. Meetings of the Congregation for the transaction of business may be called by the Trustees at their discretion, or by vote or direction of the Congregation, or by seven members of the Congregation.

7. Twenty-five members shall be a quorum of the Congregation for the transaction of business.

8. Notice of meetings of the Congregation shall be given from the pulpit at the morning service on the Lord's Day, in addition to the written notice required by law.

9. Business not requiring previous notice may be transacted at any of the stated meetings for public worship, or at any business meeting of the Congregation.

10. The Congregation determines the method or methods by which the means for its support shall be raised; if in whole or in part by pew rents, the Trustees may prepare a schedule, subject to approval by the Congregation.

11. The Trustees shall present, at the Annual Meeting, a written report of all important proceedings during the year, and of the financial condition and prospects, with such recommendations as they may deem best. The Treasurer reports at the same time the receipts and disbursements of moneys for the preceding year.

12. Any two members of the Board of Trustees may call a meeting of said Board, in case of the inability or refusal to act of both the President and the senior Trustee.

13. These By-Laws can be altered or amended only by a majority vote at the Annual Meeting or other meeting duly called according to law, notice of the subject of any proposed amendment having been given in the call for the meeting.

JOINT BY-LAWS OF THE CHURCH AND CONGREGATION

(Adopted by the Church and by the Congregation, May, 1893.)

1. The Church alone, through the Pastor and Deacons, directs the Public Worship.

2. The selection of salaried persons, if any, in connection with the Music of the Sanctuary, is determined by a Joint Committee consisting of the Trustees and the Church Committee.

3. The Pastor and Deacons have control of the Church edifice for stated and special meetings of the Congregation for public worship; and may use it for such other meetings as they may deem to be for the moral or religious welfare of the community. The Trustees may—by the vote of a majority of the whole Board at a meeting duly called—allow the Church building to be used for similiar purposes, and for such only, when not needed for meetings appointed by the Church or its officers.

4. A majority of the Board of Trustees shall be members of this Church in good standing.

5. The Congregation acquiesces in or negatives the choice of a Pastor by the Church, to whom the initial action belongs. It takes no action in the dismissal of a Pastor, which is the province of the Church alone.

6. These By-Laws can be altered or amended only by a majority vote at the Annual Meetings of the Church and of the Congregation, notice of the subject of any proposed amendment having been given in the calls for such meetings.

MEMBERSHIP

ORIGINAL MEMBERS, APRIL 5, 1870.

FREDERIC A. ADAMS, (REV.)	-	-	-	Deceased	1888
MARY J. ADAMS	-	-	-	"	1882
CLARA B. ANDERSON	-	-	-	"	1892
LIZZIE ANDERSON	-	-	-		
THERON BALDWIN, (REV.)	-	-	-	Deceased	1870
CAROLINE W. BALDWIN	-	-	-	"	1877
MARY P. BALDWIN	-	-	-		
GEORGE H. BREWER	-	-	-		
MARTHA BRADSHAW	-	-	-		
FANNY F. FESSENDEN	-	-	-	Deceased	1893
ISRAEL H. GERRY	-	-	-	Transferred	1879
JOSEPHINE M. P. GERRY	-	-	-	Deceased	1874
JACOB L. HALSEY	-	-	-		
SARAH R. HALSEY	-	-	-		
WILLIAM G. HALSEY	-	-	-	Transferred	1881
EMILY A. HARVEY	-	-	-		
NANCY E. MEANS	-	-	-		
ANNE PIERSON	-	-	-		
ISABEL F. PIERSON	-	-	-		
EDWARD E. QUIMBY	-	-	-		
CYNTHIA E. QUIMBY	-	-	-		
RICHARD A. THORP	-	-	-		
JOSEPHINE D. THORP	-	-	-		
WILLIAM H. WILEY	-	-	-		
MARY MCK. WILLIS	-	-	-	Dismissed	1893

CATALOGUE OF MEMBERS

1870 TO 1893.

Those received on Confession of Christ are indicated by a star (*). Those not so indicated were received on transfer from other Churches. A name in brackets is the surname before marriage: *dec.* denotes deceased: *dis.* dismissed; *tr.* transferred to another Church; *dr.* dropped from the roll by vote of the Church. The years given are the dates of beginning and termination of the membership.

1880.	Abbott, Edwin	-	-	-	-	-	1883: tr.
1870.	Adams, Frederic A., REV.	-	-	-	-	-	1888: dec.
1870.	Adams, Mary J. (Frederic A.)	-	-	-	-	-	1882: dec.
1870.	Adams, George E., REV.	-	-	-	-	-	1875: dec.
1870.	Adams, Helen M. (Geo. E.)	-	-	-	-	-	
1873. *	Adams, Sarah R.	-	-	-	-	-	
1873. *	Adams, Mary L.	-	-	-	-	-	
1870.	Anderson, Clara B. (Andrew)	-	-	-	-	-	1892: dec.
1870.	Anderson, Lizzie	-	-	-	-	-	
1875.	Anderson, Ellen M. (Frederic W.)	-	-	-	-	-	1892: dec.
1890. *	Anderson, Walter F.	-	-	-	-	-	
1893. *	Anderson, Elsie L.	-	-	-	-	-	
1877.	Applebaugh, Mary	-	-	-	-	-	1880: tr.
1875.	Baker, Mary L., Mrs.	-	-	-	-	-	1879: dec.
1875.	Baker, Lucy B.	-	-	-	-	-	
1870.	Baldwin, Theron, REV.	-	-	-	-	-	1870: dec.
1870.	Baldwin, Caroline W. (Theron)	-	-	-	-	-	1889: dec.
1870.	Baldwin, Mary P.	-	-	-	-	-	
1883.	Baldwin, Henry	-	-	-	-	-	
1888.	Baldwin, Lydia M.	-	-	-	-	-	1892: tr.
1890.	Baldwin, Fritz W., REV.	-	-	-	-	-	
1890.	Baldwin, Sarah L. (Fritz W.)	-	-	-	-	-	
1893. *	Baldwin, Alice M.	-	-	-	-	-	

1889.	Barnes, Sarah C., Mrs.	-	-	-	-	1893 : dec.
1878.	Barrell, Eliza A. (Geo.)	-	-	-	-	1889 : tr.
1885. *	Barrell, Louisa C.	-	-	-	-	1889 : tr.
1888.	Bartlett, Caroline L., Mrs.	-	-	-	-	
1875. *	Batchellor, Mary E.	-	-	-	-	1891 : dec.
1890. *	Blaurock, James Edwin	-	-	-	-	
1892. *	Blomquist, Charles F.	-	-	-	-	1893 : tr.
1892. *	Blomquist, Tina M. (Chas. F.)	-	-	-	-	1893 : tr.
1890.	Bowers, Cornelia W., Mrs.	-	-	-	-	
1877.	Bowers, Ogden H.	-	-	-	-	
1877.	Bowers, Mary S.	-	-	-	-	1880 : tr.
1877.	Bowers, Cornelia	-	-	-	-	
1882. *	Bowers, Laura H.	-	-	-	-	
1889. *	Bowers, Mabel	-	-	-	-	
1870.	Bradshaw, Martha	-	-	-	-	
1877.	Bradshaw, Laura H.	-	-	-	-	
1870.	Brewer, George H.	-	-	-	-	
1870. *	Brewer, Martha A. (George H.)	-	-	-	-	
1887. *	Brewer, Emma	-	-	-	-	
1887. *	Brewer, Walter B.	-	-	-	-	
1892.	Brewer, Marcy S., Mrs.	-	-	-	-	
1881.	Brown, William B., REV.	-	-	-	-	1883 : tr.
1881.	Brown, Charlotte E. (Wm. B.)	-	-	-	-	1883 : tr.
1886. *	Browne, Theresa (Geo. B.)	-	-	-	-	1887 : tr.
1888. *	Carlson, Adolf	-	-	-	-	1890 : tr.
1890. *	Carlson, Maria	-	-	-	-	
1882. *	Carter, Emily [Bowers], (Robert D.)	-	-	-	-	
1870.	Clarke, John T.	-	-	-	-	1872 : tr.
1870.	Clarke, Ellen A. J. (John T.)	-	-	-	-	1872 : tr.
1890.	Closson, Henry B.	-	-	-	-	
1890.	Closson, Ellen B. B. (Henry B.)	-	-	-	-	
1891.	Coggeshall, Fanny A.	-	-	-	-	
1893.	Coney, Anna C. (Geo. E.)	-	-	-	-	

1877.	Coolbaugh, Ella (Frank W.)	-	-	-	1881: tr.
1890.	Cramer, Hattie A (Augustus H.)	-	-	-	
1871.	Crane, Richard T.	-	-	-	
1871.	Crane, Mary H. (Richard T.)	-	-	-	
1880. *	Crane, Emma H.	-	-	-	
1883.	Crane, Thomas S.	-	-	-	
1883.	Crane, Annie D. (Thomas S.)	-	-	-	
1883.	Crane, William F. D.	-	-	-	
1883. *	Crane, Adelaide W.	-	-	-	1885: dec.
1885. *	Crane, Almira K.	-	-	-	
1889. *	Crane, Louise D.	-	-	-	
1893. *	Crane, Ethel W.	-	-	-	
1882. *	Crowell, Martha L.	-	-	-	1892: dr.
1878.	Cutts, Usher W.	-	-	-	1891: tr.
1878.	Cutts, Mary A. (Usher W.)	-	-	-	1891: tr.
1883.	Darrow, Caroline L., Mrs.	-	-	-	
1874.	Dederick, Levi	-	-	-	1882: tr.
1874.	Dederick, Almira (Levi)	-	-	-	1879: dec.
1893. *	Dewey, Gertrude A.	-	-	-	
1883.	Doty, Ariminta J. (William)	-	-	-	1885: tr.
1878.	Dunkerley, W. Arthur	-	-	-	1881: tr.
1878.	Dunkerley, Margery (W. Arthur)	-	-	-	1881: tr.
1877. *	Eaton, Edwin W.	-	-	-	
1873. *	Eaton, Frances M. (Edwin W.)	-	-	-	
1880. *	Eaton, Charles Edwin	-	-	-	
1893.	Eaton, Kate E., Mrs.	-	-	-	
1873.	English, James	-	-	-	1878: tr.
1873.	English, Sarah N. (James)	-	-	-	1878: tr.
1888. *	Erikson, Amanda M.	-	-	-	
1875.	Fay, Marcellus E.	-	-	-	1878: dec.
1875.	Fay, Emma P. (Marcellus E.)	-	-	-	1884: tr.
1870.	Fessenden, Fanny F., Mrs.	-	-	-	1893: dec.

1891.	Field, Albert O.	-	-	-	-	-	
1891.	Field, H. Evelina (Albert O.)	-	-				
1891. *	Field, Grace B.	-	-	-	-	-	
1891. *	Field, Mabel H.	-	-	-	-	-	
1893. *	Field, Jessie	-	-	-	-	-	
1890.	Flack, J. Day	-	-	-	-	-	
1877.	Ford, Mary S. (Geo. W.)	-	-	-	-	-	
1885. *	Ford, Elizabeth O.	-	-	-	-	-	
1886. *	Ford, Lucretia T.	-	-	-	-	-	
1889. *	Ford, Anna F.	-	-	-	-	-	
1870.	Gerry, Israel H.	-	-	-	-	-	1879: tr.
1870.	Gerry, Josephine M. P. (Israel H.)	-					1874: dec.
1876. *	Gerry, Irving	-	-	-	-	-	1879: tr.
1877. *	Gerry, Gertrude	-	-	-	-	-	1879: tr.
1877.	Gerry, H. Gertrude [Baldwin], (David J.)						1888: tr.
1877.	Greene, Richard G., REV.	-	-	-	-	-	1892: tr.
1877.	Greene, Augusta (Richard G.)	-	-				1892: tr.
1877. *	Greene, Ernest	-	-	-	-	-	1892: tr.
1882. *	Greene, Adele	-	-	-	-	-	1892: tr.
1888.	Greene, James Wilson	-	-	-	-	-	1890: dec.
1890.	Hall, Susan M., Mrs.	-	-	-	-	-	
1870.	Halsey, Eliza, Mrs.	-	-	-	-	-	1889: dec.
1870.	Halsey, Harriet E.	-	-	-	-	-	
1870.	Halsey, Elizabeth S.	-	-	-	-	-	
1870.	Halsey, Phebe J.	-	-	-	-	-	
1870.	Halsey, Jacob L.	-	-	-	-	-	
1870.	Halsey, Sarah R. (Jacob L.)	-	-				
1870.	Halsey, William G.	-	-	-	-	-	1881: tr.
1879. *	Halsey, Harvey R.	-	-	-	-	-	
1870.	Halsey, Anna P.	-	-	-	-	-	
1890.	Halsey, Hannah B. (Chas.)	-	-	-	-	-	1892: dec.
1889. *	Halsey, Fanny S.	-	-	-	-	-	
1877.	Hamilton, Edward P.	-					

1877.	Hamilton, Alice (Edward P.)	-	-	-	1893: dec.
1870.	Harvey, Emily A. (Hayward A.)	-			
1886. *	Hawley, H. Reed	-	-	-	-
1878.	Heald, John O.	-	-	-	-
1887. *	Heald, Mary Elizabeth (John O.)	-	-		
1893.	Holden, Horace	-	-	-	-
1893.	Holden, Anna A. (Horace)	-	-	-	-
1893.	Holden, Horace, Jr.	-	-	-	-
1879.	Holmes, Abby N. [Smith], (Joseph D.)				
1886.	Holmes, David G.	-	-	-	1892: tr.
1886.	Holmes, Elizabeth A. (David G.)	-	-	-	1892: tr.
1893. *	Hook, William B.	-	-	-	-
1885.	Hook, Virginia M. (Wm. B.)	-	-	-	-
1884. *	Hook, Stella Louise	-	-	-	1892: dec.
1893.	Hook, Louisa M.	-	-	-	-
1873.	Howes, Isaiah C.	-	-	-	1889: tr.
1873.	Howes, Mary H. (Isaiah C.)	-	-	-	1889: tr.
1877. *	Howes, Robert C.	-	-	-	1889: tr.
1882. *	Howes, Marion	-	-	-	1889: tr.
1885. *	Howes, Edith	-	-	-	1889: tr.
1876. *	Howes, Jenny R. [Osgood], (Frank H.)				1893: tr.
1878.	Hunter, J. Elizabeth	-	-	-	-
1878.	Hunter, Kate P.	-	-	-	-
1873.	Hutchings, Elizabeth C. (REV. Samuel)	-			
1876.	Hutchings, George L.	-	-	-	1882: tr.
1876.	Hutchings, Elizabeth N.	-	-	-	-
1879. *	Hutchings, Cornelia V.	-	-	-	-
1893.	Hyde, Lewis H.	-	-	-	-
1890. *	Johanssen, Annette L.	-	-	-	-
1888. *	Johnson, Eugenia	-	-	-	-
1888. *	Johnson, Hulda	-	-	-	-
1890. *	Johnson, Inga	-	-	-	-
1890. *	Johnson, Sara K.	-	-	-	-

1873. * Kendall, Marie [Hartig], (J. C.) - - 1879: tr.
 1879. Kennedy, Charlotte A. (David A.) - - 1891: tr.
 1879. King, Alexander - - - -
 1879. King, Agnes (Alexander) - - -
 1876. * Kirtland, Eliza M. [Halsey], (Jared T.) 1879: tr.

 1888. * Larson, Caroline [Anderson], (Carl J.) -
 1890. * Larson, Hilda C. - - - -
 1888. * Larson, Sophie - - - -
 1888. * Larssen, Annie - - - -
 1885. * Latham, Margaret S. [Osgood], (Harry H.) 1887: tr.
 1892. Lathrop, Charlotte E. - - - -
 1890. * Lawson, Anna - - - -
 1890. * Lawson, Matilda - - - -
 1882. Lee, Wm. Creighton - - - -
 1890. * Lofberg, Sophie - - - - 1893: tr.
 1877. Lyman, Frederic - - - - 1883: dec.
 1877. Lyman, Caroline (Frederic) - - -

 1878. Mankin, George J. - - - - 1884: dec.
 1878. Mankin, Frances G. - - - - 1887: dec.
 1891. Martin, Jennie T. - - - - 1892: tr.
 1871. Marvin, William H. - - - - 1884: tr.
 1871. Marvin, Emily A. (Wm. H.) - - - 1884: tr.
 1882. * Marvin, Carrie G. - - - - 1884: tr.
 1890. McGregor, Mary C. - - - - 1892: tr.
 1892. McMahan, Ophelia [Cole], (Wm. H.) -
 1891. McWhinnie, Maria - - - -
 1890. Mead, Charles A. - - - -
 1870. Means, Nancy E. - - - -
 1879. Mellick, Anna C., Mrs. - - - -
 1888. * Mellick, Anna C. - - - -
 1889. * Mellick, Henry S. - - - -
 1890. Miller, Emma M. [Owen], (Livingston A.) 1892: tr.
 1890. Miller, Marion S. (S. Fischer) - -

1874.	* Mills, Mary F. [Quimby], (Chas. J.)	-					
1890.	Minor, Cyrus W.	-	-	-	-	1893: tr.	
1890.	Minor, Jennie A. (Cyrus W.)	-	-	-	-	1893: tr.	
1873.	Morgan, Geraldine W. (Wm. H.)	-				1886: tr.	
1893.	Muhleman, Elise M.	-	-	-	-		
1893.	Muhleman, Josie	-	-	-	-		
1890.	* Neillson, Gertrude C.	-	-	-	-	1893: tr.	
1890.	* Neillson, Matilda	-	-	-	-		
1890.	* Neillson, Sophie	-	-	-	-	1893: tr.	
1889.	* Norén, Lena	-	-	-	-		
1890.	* Olsen, Anna C.	-	-	-	-		
1875.	Osborn, Esther, Mrs.	-	-	-	-	1878: tr.	
1876.	* Osgood, Helen Z.	-	-	-	-	1877: dec.	
1882.	Osgood, James H.	-	-	-	-	1887: tr.	
1882.	Osgood, Jane T. (James H.)	-	-	-	-	1887: tr.	
1876.	* Peck, Wm. Stanley	-	-	-	-	1880: tr.	
1890.	* Petterssen, Maria S.	-	-	-	-		
1871.	Pierson, Harriet	-	-	-	-	1888: dec.	
1870.	Pierson, Anne	-	-	-	-		
1870.	Pierson, Isabel F. (Wm., M. D.)	-	-				
1886.	* Pierson, Margaret H.	-	-	-	-	1888: tr.	
1876.	* Pierson, Louise R.	-	-	-	-		
1882.	* Pierson, Lelia P. (E. Dickson)	-	-				
1885.	* Pierson, Edith A.	-	-	-	-		
1890.	* Pierson, Wm. Dickson	-	-	-	-		
1880.	* Pinkham, William E.	-	-	-	-	1892: tr.	
1892.	Post, Cornelia E., Mrs.	-	-	-	-		
1870.	Quimby, Edward E.	-	-	-	-		
1870.	Quimby, Cynthia E. (Edward E.)	-	-				
1876.	* Quimby, Annie E.	-	-	-	-		
1884.	* Quimby, William E.	-	-	-	-		

1884. * Quimby, Kate R. - - - -
 1887. * Quimby, Cynthia P. - - - -

 1875. Reed, Laura M. - - - -
 1874. Roberts, Henry - - - - 1876 : tr.
 1874. Roberts, Esther (Henry) - - - 1876 : tr.
 1890. * Rydberg, Hulda [Swanson], (T. J.) -

 1891. Seward, Theodore F. - - - -
 1891. Seward, Mary C. (Theo. F.) - - -
 1891. * Seward, Theodora M. - - -
 1891. Simonds, Eva L. - - - -
 1890. Sleeper, Elmina R. (Hanson M.) - -
 1873. Smith, Theodore H. - - - - 1878 : dec.
 1873. Smith, Mary J. (Theo. H.) - - -
 1877. * Smith, Samuel H. - - - - 1887 : tr.
 1886. Smith, Grace H. (Samuel H.) - - 1887 : tr.
 1877. * Smith, Theodore H., Jr. - - - -
 1879. Smith, Caroline C. (Henry W.) - - 1889 : dec.
 1879. Smith, Fanny R. - - - -
 1885. * Smith, William W. - - - - 1887 : tr.
 1891. * Smith, Josephine [Trabold], (Thompson T.)
 1888. * Söderquist, Carl - - - - 1893 : tr.
 1893. Sterling, Mary L. (Charles A.) - -
 1893. Sterling, Edith W. - - - -
 1893. Sterling, Eleanor A. - - - -
 1892. Stover, Fanny H. (Joseph W.) - -
 1889. * Sutherland, Emily - - - -

 1889. Terry, Roderick - - - - 1891 : dec.
 1889. Terry, Sarah P. (Roderick) - -
 1890. Terry, Jennie E. - - - -
 1870. Thorp, Richard A. - - - -
 1870. Thorp, Josephine D. (Richard A.) - -
 1882. * Thorp, Josephine R. - - - -

1882.	*	Thorp, R. Claude	-	-	-	-	
1891.	*	Thorp, Hubert D.	-	-	-	-	
1878.		Thurston, Frank T.	-	-	-	-	1888: tr.
1878.		Thurston, Ida (Frank T.)	-	-	-	-	1888: tr.
1882.	*	Thurston, Mabel N.	-	-	-	-	1888: tr.
1893.		Vail, Elizabeth M. (Geo. A.)	-	-			
1888.	*	Waldberg, Sophie	-	-	-	-	
1872.		Wales, Joseph	-	-	-	-	1893: dec.
1872.		Wales, Euphemia H. (Joseph)	-	-			1877: dec.
1876.	*	Wales, Mary W.	-	-	.	-	
1876.	*	Wales, Frederic H.	-	-	-	-	1892: tr.
1876.	*	Wales, Louis H.	-	-	-	-	
1882.	*	Wales, Anna H.	-	-	-	-	
1890.		Wallace, Annie M.	-	-	-	-	1890: tr.
1877.		Weekes, Robert D.	-	-	-	-	
1877.		Weekes, Mary G. (Robert D.)	-	-			
1870.	*	Whiting, Caroline F. (Charles F.)	-	-			1873: tr.
1888.		Whiting, Edward McK.	-	-	-		1890: tr.
1880.	*	Wilcox, Carrie S. [Mellick], (Francis W.)					1890: tr.
1877.		Wiley, John	-	-	-	-	1891: dec.
1877.		Wiley, Elizabeth B. (John)	-	-	-		1889: dec.
1870.		Wiley, William H.	-	-	-	-	
1870.		Wiley, Joanna K. (Wm. H.)	-	-	-		
1887.	*	Wiley, Sara K.	-	-	-	-	
1870.		Willis, Mary McK., Mrs.	-	-	-		1893: dis.
1875.		Willis, Harriet T. (Geo. H.)	-	-	-		
1880.	*	Willis, Paul	-	-	-	-	
1883.	*	Willis, Isabel	-	-	-	-	
1885.	*	Willis, Kate	-	-	-	-	
1887.	*	Wilson, William	-	-	-	-	
1887.	*	Wilson, Jane (William)	-	-	-		
1890.	*	Wilson, Richard	-	-	-	-	

SUMMARY.

Original Members	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Added on Confession of Christ	-	-	-	-	-	-	115
“ from other Churches	-	-	-	-	-	-	150
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Total Membership	-	-	-	-	-	-	290
Removed by Decease	-	-	-	-	-	32	
“ “ Transfer or Dismission	-	-	-	-	-	87	
“ “ Dropped from Roll	-	-	-	-	-	1	
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Number of Members October 20, 1893	-	-	-	-	-	-	170

Number on the Roll at the beginning of each year :

1871	-	36	1879	-	101	1887	-	132
1872	-	37	1880	-	103	1888	-	136
1873	-	37	1881	-	106	1889	-	142
1874	-	52	1882	-	104	1890	-	137
1875	-	56	1883	-	115	1891	-	169
1876	-	62	1884	-	121	1892	-	175
1877	-	72	1885	-	119	1893	-	165
1878	-	94	1886	-	126			

OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH

FROM ORGANIZATION

ACTING PASTOR

George E. Adams, D. D., 1870 to March 1, 1875.

PASTORS

Richard Gleason Greene, April 2, 1875 to July 1, 1889.

Fritz Walter Baldwin, D. D., Dec. 8, 1889—

DEACONS

Frederic A. Adams,	1870-1888.	Deceased.
Jacob L. Halsey,	1870-1891.	Resigned.
Richard A. Thorp,	1872-1892.	Declined re-election.
John Wiley,	1877-1891.	Deceased.
Isaiah C. Howes,	1877-1889.	Removed residence.
Robert D. Weekes,	1885-	
David G. Holmes,	1887-1890.	Resigned.
Henry Baldwin,	1889-	
Thomas S. Crane,	1889-	
Theodore F. Seward,	1892-	
Theodore H. Smith,	1892-	
Ogden H. Bowers,	1893-	

CLERKS

John T. Clarke,	1870-1872.
Richard A. Thorp,	1872-1888.
Robert D. Weekes,	1888-

TREASURERS

Jacob L. Halsey,	1870-1880.
John Wiley,	1880-1886.
Robert D. Weekes,	1886-

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

Frederic Adams, 1870-1874.
 Isaiah C. Howes, 1874-1887.
 David G. Holmes, 1887-1890.
 Ogden H. Bowers, 1890-1893.

TRUSTEES OF THE SOCIETY

FROM ORGANIZATION

Jacob L. Halsey, 1870-1892.
 Edward E. Quimby, 1870-1892.
 Frederic Adams, 1870-1884.
 Richard A. Thorp, 1870-1885.
 Hayward A. Harvey, 1870-1892.
 William Pierson, Jr., 1870-1876.
 George H. Brewer, 1870-1873.
 Joseph Wales, 1873-1877.
 Edwin W. Eaton, 1875-
 Isaiah C. Howes, 1877-1889.
 E. Dickson Pierson, 1879-1882.
 Edward P. Hamilton, 1881-
 Alexander King, 1882-
 Frederic W. Anderson, 1884-1887.
 John S. Hawley, 1885-
 George A. Vail, 1892-
 John O. Heald, 1892-
 William H. Wiley, 1892-



HISTORICAL SKETCH

ON THE nineteenth day of January, 1870, an informal meeting of persons connected with Evangelical Churches, residing in the neighborhood of Brick Church Station, East Orange, was held at the residence of Rev. Dr. Frederic A. Adams, to consider the question of forming a Congregational Church. The result of their deliberations was a unanimous decision that there was place for such a Church in this community, and a resolution to proceed to its organization.

The first public services were held in Lyric Hall (on Main street near Harrison street) on the first Lord's day in March, conducted by Rev. Dr. George E. Adams, of Brunswick, Me. A Sunday School was informally organized at the same time.

At a meeting of attendants and contributors held on the seventeenth of March, Articles of Association and By-Laws were adopted; and on the twenty-second of the same month the corporate name of "Trinity Congregational Church" was adopted, and the organization of the religious society completed by the election of Trustees.

The Church was formed on the fifth day of April with twenty-five members, all but four of whom brought letters of dismission from the Second Presbyterian Church ("Brick Church").

On the tenth day of April, the Church was saddened by

a great loss, in the decease of Rev. Dr. Theron Baldwin, who had been an earnest and active promoter of the new enterprise.

The Church was duly recognized in the fellowship of the Congregational Churches by a Council of such Churches held on the fourth day of May.

Rev. Dr. George E. Adams was unanimously called to the Pastorate, and accepted so far as to serve as Acting Pastor.

Services were held for some months in Lyric Hall. A lot was purchased on Harrison street, for the erection of a house of worship, which was completed early in 1872, and formally dedicated on the twenty-second day of May of that year.

Dr. Adams resigned his charge in December, 1874, his resignation taking effect on the first day of March in the following year. He remained, loved and honored, among his people until his decease on the twenty-fifth day of December of the same year.

Rev. Richard G. Greene, of Springfield, Mass., began an Acting Pastorate immediately after the retirement of Dr. Adams, and on the eleventh of November ensuing was formally recognized as Pastor by a Council of Churches. In the spring of 1889, Mr. Greene resigned the Pastorate, to take effect on the first day of July. He was succeeded by

Rev. Fritz W. Baldwin, of Chelsea, Mass., who entered upon his work with the Church on the eighth day of December, 1889, and was recognized as Pastor by an ecclesiastical Council on the twentieth of the same month.

Not long after his settlement the question of a new church edifice began to be agitated, and after consideration of various other sites it was decided to erect the proposed new building upon the lot partially occupied by the old edifice.

The Committee appointed to receive subscriptions met with so much encouragement, that on the seventeenth of May, 1892, the Trustees were authorized and directed to proceed at once to the erection of a new edifice in substantial accordance with the plans which had been submitted by Messrs. Stephenson and Greene, architects.*

The corner-stone was laid with appropriate exercises on the twenty-fourth day of September, 1892, and the completed building was dedicated on the fifth day of October, 1893. The first meeting for public worship in the new edifice was held on the Lord's day, October 8th, 1893, with observance of the Lord's Supper and recognition of new members. On the Monday evening following, October 9th, a fellowship meeting was held, with brief addresses from several of the pastors of the neighboring Congregational churches; the week of dedication closing with a social reunion in the Church parlors, on Friday evening, October 13th. The entire cost of the improvements, including the new organ and the furnishing, was about \$26,000.

The Rules, Covenants and Confession of the Church were revised in 1877, and again in the present year, the

*The architect of the new edifice was Mr. Ernest Greene, son of the Rev. Richard G. Greene, the second pastor of the Church.

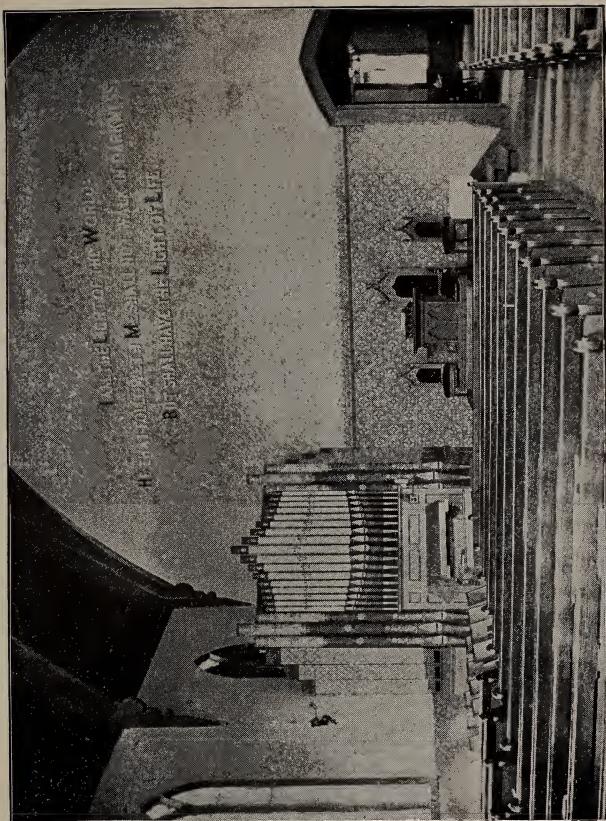
form in which they appear in this Manual having been adopted May 21, 1893.

Of the twenty-five original members, fifteen are now with us,—three having taken letters of dismission, and seven having died—Rev. Frederic A. Adams and his wife Mrs. Mary J. Adams, Rev. Theron Baldwin and his wife Mrs. Caroline W. Baldwin, Mrs. Clara B. Anderson, Mrs. Fanny F. Fessenden, and Mrs. Josephine M. P. Gerry.

Since the organization of the Church, there have been added to the original number of twenty-five members, on Confession of Christ one hundred and fifteen; from other churches one hundred and fifty, making the entire number of members since organization, two hundred and ninety; the removals, by decease and otherwise, have been one hundred and twenty; leaving a present membership of one hundred and seventy.

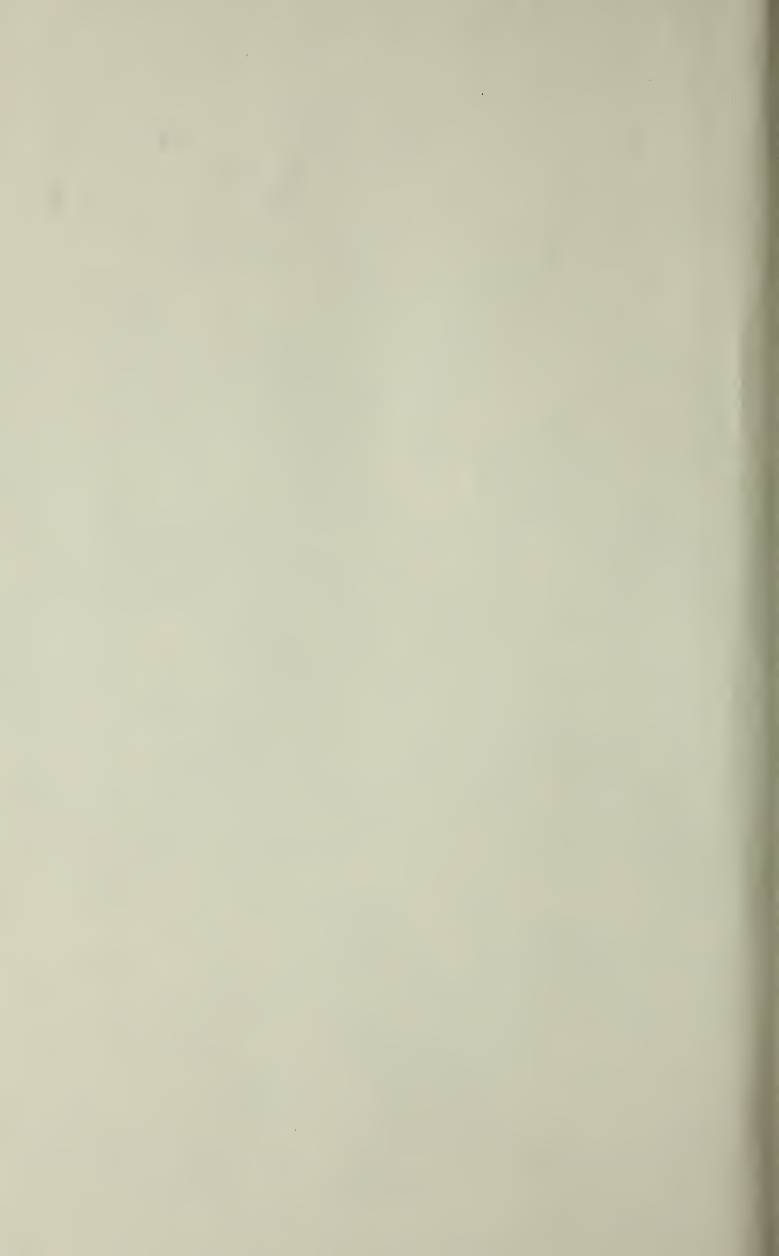
EAST ORANGE, October 20th, 1893.

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